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In re application of: U. NOTH et al. Group No.: 1636
Application No.: 10/082,636 Examiner: S. KAUSHAL
Filed: February 25, 2002
For: **TRABECULAR BONE-DERIVED HUMAN MESENCHYMAL
STEM CELLS**

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**AFTER FINAL RESPONSE UNDER
37 C.F.R. 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**

Dear Sirs:

In response to the Final Office Action dated August 9, 2004, applicants submit the following Amendment. No Notice of Appeal has yet been filed. The entry of the amendments is respectfully requested, so that the issues on the appeal can be reduced. Applicants believe no fees are due at this time. However, should any fees be required with this submission, the Commissioner is herewith authorized to charge Nixon Peabody deposit account No. 50-0850.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

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